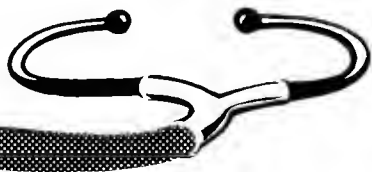




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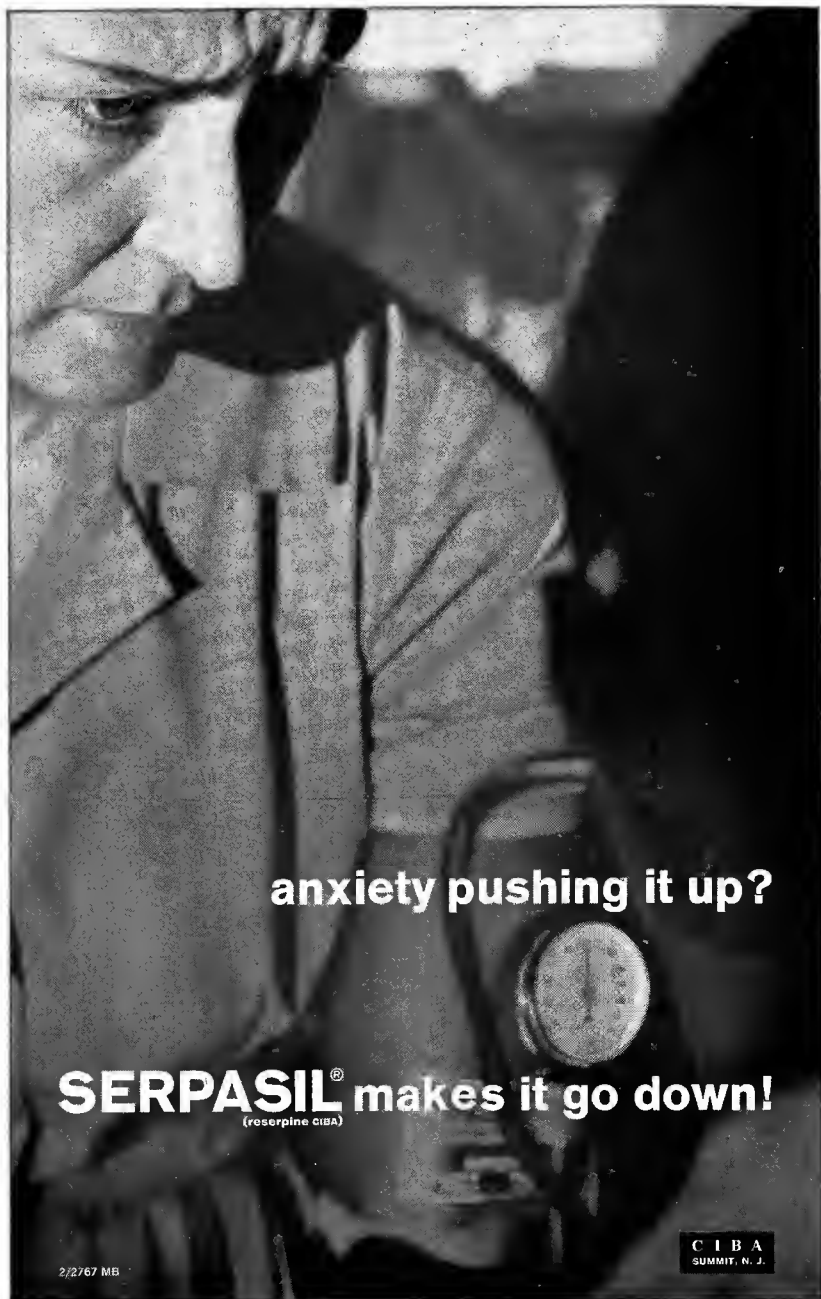


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# *Our President Speaks*

## WELCOME THE "PREPARED MINDS"

Not too long ago, the vast majority of physicians were trained entirely under the apprentice system. Under this system, the practicing physician was, in effect, an independent walking medical school. He handed down what lore he had accumulated plus what he gained from experience.

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This month we welcome twenty-six new internes who begin a new phase in their careers. They become part of an aggregate house staff of one hundred and twenty in our hospitals, which includes those coming from abroad for advanced training.

Medical education has always been a prime concern of the Medical Society and it is the serious responsibility of its members to educate its own successors. Our obligation is to make competent, reliable, and conscientious physicians of these young men and women entrusted to us.

It is well to remember that these are their formative years and emulation of their teachers will be a potent motivating force when they leave our hospitals and assume a role in medicine.

It is also our duty to make them aware of the principles, purposes, and ideals of the profession. They should learn something of the external factors affecting the environment of medicine and the value of the medical society in protecting the interests of medicine.

We in turn look to them to sustain and cherish this noble medical heritage and pass it on to those who follow.

To those who have passed another milestone in their careers and are leaving us, we extend our warmest good wishes and Godspeed.

—Fred G. Schlecht, M.D.

President

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## EDITORIAL . . . . .

### EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

"Will you serve Doctor?" This is a most common plea from all manner of groups—Boy Scouts, PTA, church and civic organizations, political parties, fraternal orders and service clubs. The fact that we physicians are so frequently asked to give of precious free time is in a sense a tribute to our profession and the respect with which we are held by the layman.

What is it that makes us say "yes" when asked to serve. I suppose that like other good citizens we feel it our duty to do our share. But I'd like to think that it goes deeper than this. Indeed, I feel most of us give of our time to worthwhile endeavors for 2 reasons.

First of all, we have been privileged to receive a fine education—an education which in part was paid for indirectly by the community. No student ever pays the full cost by means of tuition. Perhaps service to the community is a way of saying "thank you."

But even beyond this is the indescribable feeling of satisfaction of giving of one's self to his fellow man through service. I can think of few other professions which offer so rich a reward—not in terms of material gain, but in the warm glow of knowing that we have made the world a little brighter through our efforts. To practice the healing art and then to give of our talents to others surely is a blessing given to but a few. For it is through service that we find consecration!

—Jack Schreiber, M.D.  
Editor

## SOCIAL NEWS—YOUNGSTOWN HOSPITAL

Dr. and Mrs. James L. Fisher have arrived home from a motor trip to Houston, Texas where Mrs. Fisher attended a meeting of the National Council of State Garden Clubs. I am sure Dr. Fisher will be more than pleased to take you on a simulated tour via his excellent Kodacolor prints.

Dr. and Mrs. Harry E. Fusselman spent the month of May in Palm Beach, Florida. Dr. Fred Schellhase went fishing on the French River in Northern Ontario. I have been told that he uses an elastic tape measure.

The Cleveland Public Auditorium was the locale for the meetings of the Ohio State Medical Association. Mahoning County Medical Society was well represented. Among those seen from Youngstown Hospital were Drs. R. R. Fisher, Nicholas Gordon, Fred Schlecht, Bertram Katz, Morris Rosenblum, David Brown, Craig Wales, H. P. McGregor, Barclay Brandmiller, Walter Tims, F. G. Kravec, Andrew Miglets, J. F. Dulick, Gabriel E. DeCicco, W. P. Young, Louis Shensa, Arnoldus Goudsmit, Clyde K. Walter, John A. Rogers, Arthur E. Rappoport, Frank E. Shaw, and William Flynn. Dr. Winifred Liu presented an exhibit, Fluorescence Technique in Exfoliative Cytology. Dr. William Flynn presided at the meetings sponsored by the Ohio Division of The American Cancer Society. Dr. Rappoport and Mr. Jackson of the Youngstown Hospital Blood Bank presented papers at the Conference on Laboratory Medicine. Many others were probably there for Dr. Fred Friedrich who stayed behind to cover was taking calls for seven physicians. On Monday and Tuesday nights of the convention his office hours lasted to nearly midnight. If I have inadvertently omitted any names I apologize. Last month one member was upset because I omitted his name. My phone number is RI 3-1215 and we are looking for social news for the *Bulletin*.

Dr. and Mrs. Howard Mathay attended the graduation exercises at Culver Military Academy where their son John Preston Mathay was graduated.

Dr. Robert F. Hughes, an interne, has added to the nursing shortage. He was married to Miss Theresa Ellen McGowan, supervisor of 3 East at North Unit. Best wishes to both of them.

Dr. and Mrs. J. B. Stechschulte were recent guests at the Desert Inn at Las Vegas, Nevada.

—G. E. DeCicco, M.D.

The big news for this month was the OSMA meeting in Cleveland, which was well attended. Dr. DeCicco was there, of course, along with Drs. McGregor and Wales, as delegates. The others that I saw were Drs. W. P. Young, Gordon, McGregor, Gustafson, Miglets, Brandmiller, Maine, Shensa, Keyes, and Steinberg. There must have been more, but these I'm sure of. Dr. Winifred Liu was there, too, with a scientific exhibit on fluorescent light cytology which attracted considerable attention.

At this same time, Dr. J. L. Fisher accompanied Mrs. Fisher to the National Garden Forum meeting in Houston, Texas, where Mrs. Fisher was national awards chairman. Dr. and Mrs. A. W. Geordan went to Chicago (Camilla's hometown) where Al attended the American Urological Association meeting there.

—Robert R. Fisher, M.D.





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## THE PRESS VIEWS THE FORAND BILL

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Although it is impossible to reprint all of these in the Bulletin, a perusal of some of the titles proves interesting.

Forand Bill Not the Answer

—Chattanooga News-Free Press

Forand Bill Socialism at Inept, Costly Worst

—Danville Commercial News

Forand Bill Means Socialized Medicine

—The Shreveport Times

Latest Socialized Medicine Scheme Out of Place in U.S.

—Milwaukee Sentinel

Socialized Medicine; A Constant Threat

—Los Angeles Times

Blueprint for Socialism

—The Dallas Morning News

U. S. Health Plan No Boon for Elderly

—Ft. Worth Evening Star-Telegram

Genuine Problem And Bad Solution

—The Houston Chronicle

Keep Sam Out of the Doctor Role

—Ft. Wayne News-Sentinel

More Federal Charity Won't Help

—Grand Rapids Press

To Spike Socialized Medicine

—St. Louis Globe Democrat

Let's Say "Whoa" To Forand Bill

—East Hartford Gazette

A Vicious Circle

—Fort Lauderdale News

Side-Door Socialized Medicine

—Chattanooga News-Free Press

Deceptive Practices

—Philadelphia Evening Bulletin

No, No, Mr. Forand

—The Lincoln Times

True Social Security or Bait for Votes?

—Salt Lake City Tribune

Where Reuther Wants Us

—The Arizona Republic

Bad Medicine

—The San Diego Union

Poorer Service at Higher Price

—Orlando Sentinel

Forand Bill One of Worst

—Rockford Register-Republic

Offering the Moon, But Forgetting the Bill

—Kokomo Tribune

Apparently For Votes At Any Price

—The Monroe News-Star

The Social Security Rites of an Election Year

—Kansas City, Mo., Times

Election Year Benefits

—Lewistown Daily News

For Votes-at-any-cost

—Coatesville Record

Security Snowball Just Keeps Rolling

—Johnson City Evening Press-Chronicle

Speaking of Handouts

—New York Daily News

Forand Bill Is a Wedge For Socialized Medicine

—Chicago Daily News

All in all, it seems well summarized in the headline printed over an editorial in a small newspaper out in Wyoming. It read:

Pie in the Sky

—Casper Tribune Herald

### OSMA CLEVELAND MEETING

New president of the Ohio State Medical Association is Dr. Edwin H. Artman of Chillicothe, installed at the annual meeting held in Cleveland last month. Elected president-elect at the meeting of the House of Delegates was Dr. George W. Petznick of Shaker Heights.

The House of Delegates passed on a number of resolutions, all of which will be printed in full in the Ohio State Medical Journal. Of special note was a resolution calling on the Division of Aid for the Aged, Ohio Department of Public Welfare, to rescind a directive limiting physicians in their prescription of drugs for aid to the aged recipients, calling the directive an interference "with the physician's professional judgment as to what is best for his patients."

In another resolution aimed at Forand-type legislation, the House of Delegates urged members of the 86th Congress "to defer further consideration of all legislation proposing Federal participation in the financing of medical-hospital care for the aged, pending the White House Conference on Aging in January, 1961, when all facets of the problem can be carefully studied in their true perspective in a non-election year."

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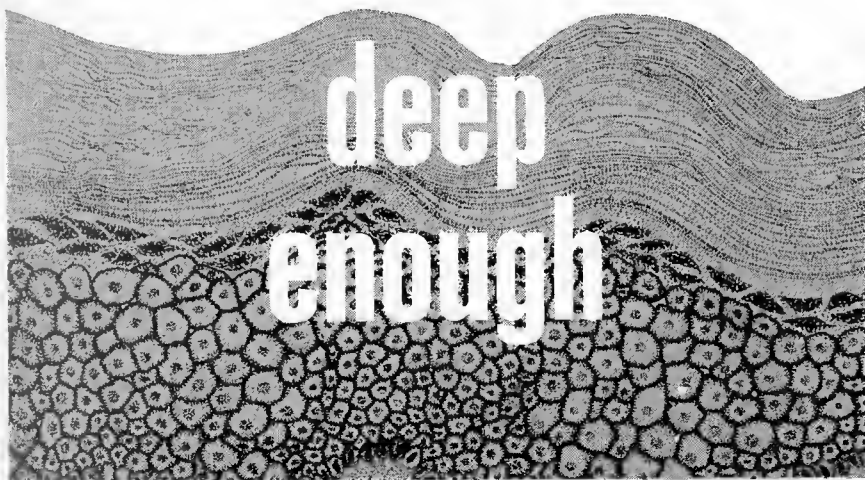
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Dr. Goldberg becomes the second doctor-member of the Board of Health. Dr. J. F. Stotler was appointed to the Board last year by Mayor Frank X. Kryzan. Appointments are for five-year periods.

The other members of the five-man Board are: Mr. Frank W. Tear, Atty. Robert M. Murphy and Atty. Anthony T. Kryzan.

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### MEETINGS OF GENERAL INTEREST IN JUNE AND JULY

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- June 28 6:30 P.M. Council of Mahoning County Medical Society  
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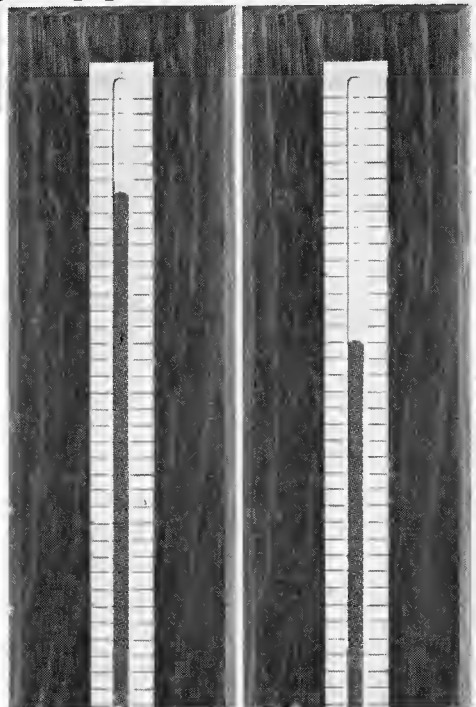
#### THURSDAY

- June 9 10:00 A.M. ExIntern Reunion Scientific Program. Guest Speaker,  
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Hitchcock Auditorium
- June 16 8:00 A.M. Clinico-Pathologic Conference  
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- June 23 8:00 A.M. Clinico-Pathologic Conference  
Hitchcock Auditorium
- June 30 8:00 A.M. Clinico-Pathologic Conference  
Hitchcock Auditorium
- July 14 1:00 P.M. Visiting Professor Dr. Harvey Krieger, Asst. Professor  
of Surgery, Western Reserve University  
"Some Metabolic Aspects of Surgery"  
Auditorium No. 1 St. Elizabeth's

#### FRIDAY

- June 17 8:00 A.M. Combined Medical-Surgical Conference  
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- June 24 8:00 A.M. Clinico-Pathologic Conference  
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- July 1 8:00 A.M. Combined Medical-Surgical Conference  
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The College of Physicians Session in San Francisco in April was one of the best attended and most interesting meetings in years. Scientific exhibits were lacking, but Panel Discussions, Television Clinics, and Scientific papers covered the controversial problems in Medicine today.

Lipopenic agents with the exception of heparin exert no significant hypocholesteremia effect in hypercholesteremia secondary to the primary rise in triglyceride or phospholipid. Diets which substitute polyunsaturated fats do show a decrease in plasma cholesterol, phospholipids, and glycerides. One essayist concluded that physiological post prandial lipemia constitutes one of the acute factors capable of limiting coronary blood flow, and myocardial oxygen supply in man both at rest and during exercise.

After ten years of cortisone, Doctor Philip Hench who was responsible for discovery of cortisone concluded the ("Paradox of Cortisone"). The inflammations that the cortisones, and ACTH can suppress, they can also provoke. It is analogous to a subtler "Paradox of Rheumatoid Arthritis" which is this "What can suppress rheumatoid arthritis can also aggravate it or even bring it back. This applies with equal force to a limited selection of the rheumatic and collagen diseases, a shared characteristic being a basic susceptibility to 'Paradoxical inflammations'."

The panel discussions of hypertension stressed the search for new and better hypotensors. The Panelists stressed that systolic hypertension with normal diastolic pressure needs no treatment.

Enzyme inhibitors are one of the new approaches to hypertension. The group at the National Heart Institute discussed the inhibition of enzymes involved in the metabolism of vasoactive amines such as serotonin and norepinephrine in the lowering of blood pressure. Aldosterone antagonists especially spironolactone in hypertension were presented by the Boston University group. Many more subjects were covered and one regrets that it is impossible to attend all the lectures presented. Youngstown had three representatives at the College Session this year, Dr. E. McNeal, Dr. F. S. Coombs and Dr. J. P. Harvey.

—J. P. Harvey, M.D.

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Every year on the first of May there is a mass migration to Atlantic City from teaching centers of the East, South, and Middle West. By plane, train, and car come a talented group of physicians ranging from fledgling to full professor, all with one common interest—clinical research.

On Sunday morning the Federation of Clinical Research convened. This society has over 3000 members, admittance by application for anyone desiring membership. Among those listening with interest to the papers and discussions was a good representation from our fair city including Doctors Goudsmit, Warnock, Kiskaddon, Jenkins, and Bunn, Jr. The papers were good,

usually rather technical, but carefully done. The lively discussion which followed each ten minute paper was often animated, and brought up diametrically opposed views in some instances.

Monday's meeting of the Society for Clinical Investigation (Young Turks) was the most difficult to absorb. The esoteric topics ranged from the role of viral sulfhydryl groups to transmanganin and the enzymatic defect of orotic aciduria. There was little in the meeting which had immediate clinical applicability, but the use of newer investigative techniques was most interesting, and the advances in the field of biochemistry and physiology slightly less than staggering.

The most fascinating meeting was the American Association of Physicians which convened on Tuesday and Wednesday morning. Here we heard Sabin talk about the effectiveness of his oral polio vaccine; Dameshek tell of the successful treatment of lupus with antimetabolites such as 6-mercaptopurine; Wroblewski describe iso-enzymes more specific than SGOT which elevate following myocardial infarction, and H. G. Wolf tell of a new neurokinin substance which had been identified in migraine headaches.

The net effect of the meetings was a large portion of intellectual stimulation, a real appreciation of the basic research which underlies our advances in medical technology today, and a glimpse into future changes in clinical medicine.

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Drs. Kurt Wegner and Leonard Caccamo attended the Second International Symposium of the Deborah Hospital on Current Concepts in Medicine. The scientific program on Congenital Heart Disease was held on April 28-29-30 at the Bellevue Stratford Hotel in Philadelphia. One thousand specialists in the cardiovascular field from the United States, Canada, Mexico, Argentina, Great Britain, Sweden and Italy attended the three day symposium.

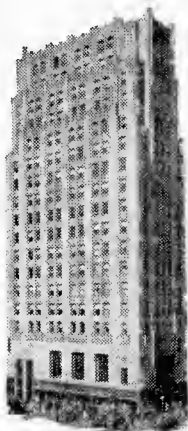
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## SOCIAL NEWS—ST. ELIZABETH HOSPITAL

Dr. F. J. Gambrel was on TV last Tuesday evening—we hear he is turning away offers from Hollywood.

Dr. and Mrs. C. A. Whitten were in Florida where Doctor Whitten attended the American Academy of Neurology on April 25th—then they went to Bermuda and Nassau for a short vacation.

Dr. W. T. Martin was in Reading, Pa., for a week and missed all the rain.

Drs. A. J. Bayuk, R. V. Poling and M. W. Neidus were patients recently in St. Elizabeth Hospital, and we are happy to say they have fully recovered. Dr. M. J. Sunday is a patient in the hospital and we extend our best wishes for a speedy recovery.

Dr. and Mrs. S. W. Ondash were in Columbus recently where Doctor Ondash was installed as President of the Ohio State Surgical Association.

Have you seen in the Youngstown Vindicator, issue of May 8th, the article on Dr. Elmer J. Wenaas? He has launched a program of collecting cataract lenses which are sent to Pakistan to be used by patients who have had cataract operations.

Dr. and Mrs. Robert Morrison, Dr. and Mrs. A. K. Phillips and Dr. and Mrs. R. J. Scheetz spent a pleasant two week vacation in Bermuda recently.

It's the sixth child—the fifth girl and the third red-head for Dr. and Mrs. J. R. Sofranec—born May 14th.

Dr. C. S. Lowendorf and Dr. J. J. Sofranec attended the Ohio Orthopedic Society meeting in Cleveland last week-end. Dr. Lowendorf said the program was good—clinic patients were presented. Off the record, we heard the ball game was good too.

Dr. Paul J. Mahar visited his Son, Paul Jr., at Notre Dame the weekend of May 13-15, and enjoyed the Old Timer's Game on Saturday. Dr. Mahar feels that Notre Dame will be greatly improved over last year.

Did you know that Dr. James Herald was a track star for Rayen 1926-1927. He ran 100 yards, 440 yard and relay and held the city championship in the 440 yard event. He is on a committee to honor the Rayen coach of those years, Oliver Ellis.

Dr. J. J. McDonough spent three months taking special training at Memorial Hospital in New York.

Judith Wasilko, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. J. J. Wasilko is graduating from Emma Willard School for Girls, Troy, New York, on June 4th.

—G. L. Altman, M.D.



## FAIR PLANS UNDER WAY

Don't look now, but the Canfield Fair is only three months away! The Canfield Fair Committee has already held two meetings with exhibitors to make plans for the medical health tent.

The purpose of the health tent is to present in a graphic manner the sum total of health and medical care available in Mahoning County.

As in the past, the Mahoning County Medical Society will sponsor the tent, largest on the fairgrounds, housing exhibits of health agencies and allied medical professions. Dr. H. P. McGregor is chairman of the Canfield Fair Committee.

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## IN MEMORIAM

Atty. Franklin B. Powers  
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The Mahoning County Medical Society lost a friend and counselor when Atty. Franklin B. Powers passed away. He died at his home, Thursday, May 12, following a heart attack.

Mr. Powers was legal counsel for the Medical Society, serving without remuneration, for many years. The Council of the Society turned to him whenever legal advice was deemed desirable. The Medical Society office files are filled with letters from him giving studied legal opinions on many matters. At the time of his death, he was working on the incorporation of the Society.

Mr. Powers was born in Youngstown, July 3, 1887. He was graduated from Rayen School and the University of Michigan and was admitted to the bar in 1913.

He served as chairman of the city and Chamber of Commerce joint charter committee, as president of the Torch Club, president of Poland Local School District Board of Education, was a member of the charter committee of the Ohio Bar Association, chairman of the Mahoning County Bar Association Institute, president of the Youngstown Club, Exchange Club, Poland Community Club, the Poland Presbyterian Church congregation, and chairman of the Poland Planning Commission.

He also was chairman of the national affairs committee of the Youngstown Area Chamber of Commerce and chairman of the Mahoning County Planning Commission. He was a director of the Alias Santa Claus Club and chairman of the Youngstown district effort on behalf of the Ohio Citizens Committee on Federal-State Relations.

It is easily understood that his death represents a loss to the community. It is a more personal loss to those who knew him. It is a great personal loss to the physicians of Mahoning County.

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PRESS MEETING

Members of the Public Relations Committee recently met with representatives of local press, radio and television to discuss mutual problems of medical news dissemination. This has been an annual meeting for several years.

Members of the news media attending were: Catesby Cannon, City Editor of the Vindicator; Bob Spiegel from WBBW; Bill Lindsay from WFMJ; and Joel Albert from WKBN.

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## FROM THE BULLETIN

Twenty Years Ago — June 1940

Our own Bill Skipp was President of the Ohio State Medical Association that year. Thirty-two of our members went to Cincinnati to see him installed. In May the Society gave a dinner at the Youngstown Club in his honor and presented him with a gold watch, suitably engraved. He was a human dynamo, a noted goitre surgeon and was active in every project organized medicine attempted. He helped organize the Speaker's Bureau, was the first business manager of the *Bulletin*, organized the Medical-Dental Bureau, served as Councillor for the Sixth District and later was delegate to the A.M.A. from Ohio. He passed away suddenly while still busy and active and his many friends miss him very much.

Some notes on consultations from the Medical Crier's column: "When the patient is not doing well the attending physician is often on the spot. He may think that the consultation is for his protection. The consultant may feel that it is for his enhancement. Both are wrong. It is for the patient's benefit and that should never be forgotten . . . The doctor in charge should remember his duty to the consultant. He should be prepared to give a complete history of the case and a resume of the treatment. When sending a patient to a specialist's office he should send a letter containing the above details and avoid wasting a busy man's time. Unless he does so he should not complain if he does not receive a prompt report. He should make conditions favorable for a satisfactory examination and withhold no information."

Those days many consultations were held in the patient's home and were very formal. First the consultant was called and the time and place of the meeting arranged. Then the physician would present the case to the consultant and they would go over the patient together, the consultant would make a careful examination looking for signs that may have been missed. They then would retire for private discussion (often in the bathroom) where they would agree on what should be done. Lastly, they would meet with the anxious family and the consultant would express his opinion. This was the most delicate moment of the affair, for often changes had to be made in the diagnosis and treatment. A skillful and diplomatic consultant could do that without impairing the attending physician's standing and still accomplish his purpose.

Nowadays nearly all consultations are held in the hospital. The specialist sees the patient on his rounds and leaves his report on the chart. If there is anything urgently needed he does not hesitate to order it forthwith. Often he never sees the family. Much time is saved that way but still there is some loss of the personal touch. When there is serious illness, the family needs to be treated as well as the patient and it is up to the family physician to make up for the deficit by explaining everything fully to the anxious relatives.

You could buy a white shirt with your monogram from Strouss-Hirshberg's for \$1.65. Four years later, during the war white shirts were hard to find. Dacron and cotton drip-dry shirts were not to be had at any price.

## Ten Years Ago — June 1950

The Democratic National Committee was distributing a booklet entitled "Better Medical Care Than You Can Afford", promoting President Truman's health plan. It promised that "you would choose your own doctor" and would cost less than voluntary insurance.

President Gordon Nelson reported that there was a growing opposition throughout the country to socialized medicine, probably due to the intense



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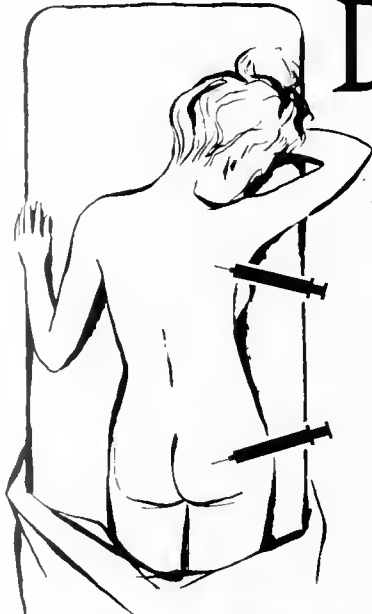
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educational program carried out by the A.M.A. Recent polls of the voters on the question of government control of medicine showed that only 10% were in favor of it.

Council sent a letter to the Administrator of Veteran's Affairs in Washington requesting that the local medical services of the Veterans' Administration be continued and that Dr. Sidney Franklin be kept in charge of the Youngstown office because of his satisfactory service.

Dr. Frederick Louis Schellhase became a member of the Society.

The Society lost three outstanding members to the grim reaper. John S. Lewis our first urologist, Howard Miller beloved family physician and O. J. Walker outstanding nose and throat specialist were moved upstairs to better quarters.

Edward M. Miller of 716 Glacier Heights Road won the essay contest sponsored by the Society on "Why We Should Preserve the Voluntary System of Medical Care" and received a \$250.00 U.S. Bond. Henry W. Pierce of 254 Fairgreen was second and received a \$100.00 Bond. Donald F. Rendinell, 1824 Coronado Ave. was third and received a \$50.00 Bond. George Geordan of Warren and Wilson H. Hamilton of Detroit Ave. received honorable mention. Judges were: Judge Elmer T. Phillips, Mrs. Charles B. Cushwa Jr., Roy M. Welsh Sr., Atty. David E. Jones, and Mrs. J. C. Foutts. The contest created great interest among Youngstown Area students and over 300 essays were submitted.

The contest was conducted by a special committee consisting of C. A. Gustafson, E. J. Reilly, W. M. Skipp, S. W. Ondash, James Miller and H. E. Mathay.

—J. L. Fisher, M.D.

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The Youngstown Hospital Association has recognized the key role played by the medical staff and has appointed a committee of staff physicians to make a statistical study as to whether there are unnecessary hospital admissions, whether the patient stays too long or if the various departments of the hospital are being utilized efficiently.

Other factors, of course, play a part in hospital utilization such as community standards, the patient, and prepayment insurance plans.

The ultimate goal is to increase the effective utilization of every facet of our hospitals and thus lower the cost to the individual, the insurance carrier and provide the best medical care possible for each individual.

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As you know, the Annual Meeting of the Ohio State Medical Auxiliary was held in Cleveland on May 17th-20th. Our new president, Hellen Goudsmit and vice-president, Beulah Mae Inui attended as did June Fisher, Mary Gordon and Eleanor Rappoport as delegates. Our Auxiliary received a blue ribbon at this meeting, for "working in all priorities and all other suggested fields of emphases."

Dena Evans was re-appointed Chairman of Historian and Archives Committee by the state president. Mrs. Evans also installed the new state officers in the absence of the president of the American Medical Auxiliary, who had to leave the meeting early.

A resolution to place Mrs. Evans' name before the National Nominating Committee as a candidate for a national post was submitted by nine counties and passed by the delegates.

On Wednesday, May 25th Hellen Goudsmit and Eleanor Rappoport were co-hostesses at a tea given for the old and new board members. It was a very nice way for the experienced to help the novices.

The first Board meeting was held on June 1st and later issues of the *Bulletin* will inform you of plans for the coming year.

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—Shirley Caccamo,  
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## PROCEEDINGS OF COUNCIL

May 24, 1960

The regular monthly meeting of the council of the Mahoning County Medical Society was held on Tuesday, May 24, 1960 at the Youngstown Club, Youngstown, Ohio.

The following physicians were present: F. G. Schlecht, president, presiding, Jack Schreiber, F. A. Resch, A. A. Detesco, C. C. Wales, H. P. McGregor, H. J. Reese, J. J. McDonough, R. J. Scheetz, C. W. Stertzbach, S. W. Ondash, P. J. Mahar, G. E. DeCicco, and E. R. McNeal. Also present was Dr. R. M. Kiskaddon. Absent were: A. K. Philips, M. W. Neidus, C. E. Pichette, M. S. Rosenblum, Asher Randell, and R. R. Fisher

The meeting was called to order at 7:15 p.m. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The motion was made, seconded, and duly passed that the following resolution, introduced by Dr. Stertzbach, be adopted by council as a governing policy:

BE IT RESOLVED that an active member in good standing, who, because of illness or injury, has been unable to carry on his regular practice for a period of six or more consecutive months may petition the society council to waive his county society dues for a one year period. Under no circumstances will a dues refund be made, but in certain instances wherein a member has already paid his dues in full, the waiver may, on the members request and council approval, be extended to cover the following year. This ruling applies to the local county society dues only, and in no way relieves the said member of his dues obligation to the O.S.M.A. and A.M.A.

Dr. R. M. Kiskaddon, Chairman of the Geriatric and Home Care Committee described the work of his committee and discussed a plan for aging for Youngstown, using the Wick Park area as a center. The plan was printed in the December 1959 issue of the *Bulletin* in an article written by Dr. Kiskaddon.

He suggested that the Medical Society take the lead in proposing such a plan and that the initial step might be a conference to be attended by representatives of the Division of Aid for the Aged, the Health and Welfare Council Committee on Older Persons, the Golden Age Center, the Advisory Welfare Committee of the County Home, and the Ohio Citizens Council on Aging. Also included would be six representative persons over 65, plus a representative of the Medical Society, the Legal Society, the Protestant, Catholic and Jewish church groups, a C.P.A., and a representative from the newspaper and the City Planning Commission.

Following discussion, the motion was made, seconded and duly passed that Dr. Kiskaddon be complimented on his plan. The further motion was made, seconded and duly passed that Dr. Kiskaddon proceed with plans for a Conference on Aging to be held in Youngstown in September. Dr. Kiskaddon was invited back to the next council meeting to make a report.

A letter was read from Mr. Morril Lucas, Field Scout Director of the Mahoning Valley Council, Boy Scouts of America, concerning young men interested in the medical field. The executive secretary was asked to invite Mr. Lucas to the next meeting of council.

A letter was read from the Mahoning County Unit of the American Cancer Society, suggesting participation of the Cancer Society in the Postgraduate Assembly of October 26. The letter was turned over to the Postgraduate Day Committee for consideration.



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Dr. DeCicco introduced discussion concerning a medical assistants organization. The project was turned over to Dr. Detesco, Public Relations Chairman, for a report.

Dr. Schlecht introduced discussion concerning the death of Mr. Franklin B. Powers and our need for legal council.

Dr. Schlecht introduced a policy concerning the executive secretary. Following discussion, the motion was made, seconded, and duly passed that the following be adopted by council as policy:

#### EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

The Executive Secretary shall be ex-officio, the secretary of this Society, of its Council, and of all its committees. He shall be the executive agent of the Society, transacting its business under the direction of its officers. He shall collect, under supervision of the Treasurer, dues for membership in this Society. He shall be the managing editor and business manager of the *Bulletin*. He shall have charge of the Business offices of this Society and may employ such aid as shall be authorized by the Council. He shall be custodian of all books and papers belonging to this Society. He shall conduct the official correspondence, notifying members of meetings, committees of their appointments and duties, and shall perform such other duties as may be assigned to him by the Council. At the expense of the Society, he shall give bond in such amount as shall be required by the Council.

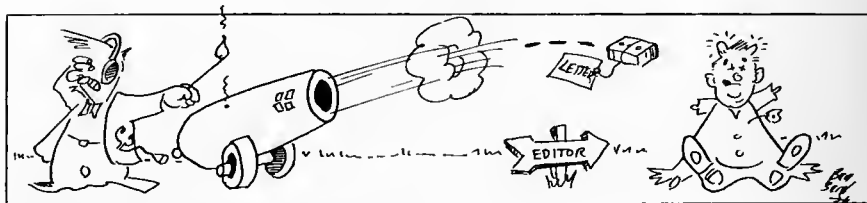
A lengthy discussion was devoted to the subject of social security.

Bills were read. A motion was made, seconded, and duly passed to pay each one. A list of bills is attached to the minutes.

Meeting was adjourned.

—C. W. Stertzbach, M.D.  
Acting Secretary

#### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR



Mahoning County Medical Society  
1005 Belmont Ave.  
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Dear Sir:

Congratulations on the very informative and educational program on Caesarian Section which was shown over WKBN-TV this week. I was greatly impressed with the announcer's well thoughtout opening statement. Dr. Gambrel's explanation was so clear and he explained the X-Rays so well that I am sure everyone understood them. The telecast was beautifully done. I regret that I did not have advance knowledge of this telecast, so all Red Cross instructors could have announced it in classes in Mother and Baby Care. Expectant parents would have been very interested in this and would have enjoyed "seeing" a delivery room. There should be more local programs of this type.

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Infant Deaths Res.	8	7	15

## APRIL 1959

	Resident	Non-Resident	Total
Births	330	281	611
Deaths	154	79	233
Infant Deaths Res.	7	7	14

## CONTAGIOUS DISEASES

	April 1960		April 1959	
	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths
Chicken Pox	93		35	
Diphtheria	0		0	
Measles	5		7	
Mumps	151		48	
Polio	0		0	
Scarlet Fever	20		5	
Whooping Cough	0		2	
Tuberculosis	8	1	14	2
Rheumatic Fever	5		4	
Infectious Hepatitis	1		1	
Epid. Sp. Meningitis	1		1	
Typhoid	0		0	

## VENEREAL DISEASES

	New Cases	M.	F.	Total
Syphilis		0	1	1
Gonorrhea		14	6	20

Total Patients

21

Total Visitor (Patients) to Clinic

151

## POST AMA CONVENTION TOURS TO THE CARIBBEAN

Physicians and their families attending the Annual Meeting of the AMA in Miami June 13-17 can make advance reservations for post or pre-convention tours and thus be assured that accommodations will be available.

Caribbean tours to Nassau and Jamaica are being arranged for AMA members and their families in advance and are recommended because of limited cruise and air facilities and an expected record meeting attendance.

A special descriptive folder has been prepared and is available by contacting Mr. John Hanni, Jr., Executive Secretary, Dade County Medical Association, 2 S.E. 13th St., Miami 32, Florida.

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relieves both stiffness and pain with safety...sustained effect

**NOTABLE SAFETY**—unusually low toxicity; no known contraindications; side effects are rare; drowsiness may occur, usually at higher dosage.

**RAPID ACTION**—starts to act quickly.

**SUSTAINED EFFECT**—relief lasts up to 6 hours.

**EASY TO USE**—usual adult dosage is one 350 mg. tablet 3 times daily and at bedtime.

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(carisoprodol Wallace)

*Literature and samples on request*



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